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**ILLEGAL ALIEN CAUGHT RUNNING DRUGS**  
**IN SISKIYOU COUNTY SENTENCED**

SACRAMENTO – United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that RAUL FRUTOS-ARROYO, 33, of Michoacan, Mexico, was sentenced yesterday by Senior United States District Judge F. Lowell Jensen to a term of imprisonment of 70 months. The defendant will enter deportation proceedings once he completes his prison sentence. On April 23, 2007, the defendant pleaded guilty before Senior United States District Judge Edward J. Garcia to possession with the intent to distribute methamphetamine, possession of ammunition, and illegal re-entry into the United States by an alien.

This case is the product of a joint investigation by the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office, the California Highway Patrol, and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Michael M. Beckwith, who prosecuted the case, FRUTOS-ARROYO was found in possession of distribution quantities of methamphetamine, drug distribution paraphernalia, a firearm, and ammunition. FRUTOS-ARROYO has suffered several prior convictions, including prior felony convictions for sexual abuse of a minor and selling drugs to minors.

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